GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Elections –Bye-election to 115 – Atmakur Assembly Constituency, Andhra Pradesh – Polling on 23.06.2022 (Thursday) - Declaration of Local Holiday – Authorization to the Collector & District Magistrate, SPSR Nellore district - Orders – Issued.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECTIONS-A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.1136 **Dated:16.06.2022**

Read the following:

1. From Election Commission of India, New Delhi, Press Note No. ECI/ PN/ 52/2022, dated 25th May, 2022.
2. From Election Commission of India, New Delhi, Letter No. 78/EPS/2022, dated 07.06.2022.

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O R D E R:

According to the schedule announced by the Election Commission of India, vide reference first read above, polling for the Bye-Election to 115 – Atmakur Assembly Constituency, Andhra Pradesh, will be held on 23.06.2022 (Thursday) and Counting of votes on 26.06.2022 (Sunday).

2. Hence, the State Government hereby authorize the Collector & District Magistrate, SPSR Nellore district to declare a local holiday in the areas of aforesaid Assembly Constituency on the day of poll i.e., on 23.06.2022 (Thursday), if there is no holiday. He is also authorized to declare a local holiday, if necessary, on the day before the day of Poll i.e. 22nd June 2022 (Wednesday) for the Institutions where Polling Stations / Distribution centres are established in connection with conduct of bye-election to 115 – Atmakur Assembly Constituency and also, if necessary, on the day fixed for Counting i.e., on 26.06.2022 (Sunday) for the institution where Counting Centre is established. On local holidays, the Treasuries and Sub-Treasuries in the District shall, however, function as usual.

3. Government also direct that as per the instructions of the Election Commission of India,

(i) the Labour, Employment Training & Factories Department shall declare a paid holiday in the areas of 115 – Atmakur Assembly Constituency, Andhra Pradesh on the day of poll i.e. 23.06.2022 (Thursday), if there is no holiday under the A.P. Factories and Establishments Act, 1974 (A.P. Act No.32/1974) and A.P. Shops and Establishments Act, 1988 read with the provisions laid down in Section 135-B of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 so as to enable the workers to exercise their franchise. Regarding the Industrial Undertakings / Establishments, which are working on shift basis, it is clarified that a holiday may be declared only for the shift during which the poll is to be conducted (from 7.00 am to 6.00 pm);

(ii) the Commissioner of Labour, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada shall declare a closed holiday in the areas of 115 – Atmakur Assembly Constituency, Andhra Pradesh on the day of poll i.e. 23.06.2022 (Thursday), if there is no holiday under the A.P. Shops and Establishments Act, 1988 (Act 20/1988) read with provisions laid down in Section 135-B (4) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, so as to enable the electors working in such shops, establishments to exercise their franchise;

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(iii) All Municipal Corporations, Municipal Committees and other Local Bodies and every University established by Central, Provincial or State Act located in 115 – Atmakur Assembly Constituency, Andhra Pradesh shall also observe local holiday to be declared by the Collector & District Magistrate, SPSR Nellore district, as authorized by the Government, on the day of poll i.e., 23rd June, 2022 (Thursday), in the areas of 115 – Atmakur Assembly Constituency, Andhra Pradesh.

4. As per the provisions of Section 135-B of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, the Commissioner of Labour, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada shall ensure that (i) every person employed in any business, trade, industrial undertaking or any other establishment and entitled to vote at election to the Legislative Assembly or HoP shall, on the day of poll, be granted a holiday; (ii) no deduction or abatement of the wages of any such person shall be made on account of a holiday having been granted in accordance with subsection (1) and if such person is employed on the basis that he would not ordinarily receive wages for such a day, he shall nonetheless be paid for such day the wages he would have drawn had not a holiday been granted to him on that day; (iii) If an employer contravenes the provisions of sub-section (I) or sub-section (2), then such employer shall be punishable with fine, which may extend to five hundred rupees.

5. The Government also direct that, in the case of employees who are ordinarily resident in the area of 115 – Atmakur Assembly Constituency, where poll is on 23rd June, 2022 (Thursday), but having the place of work outside the Constituency area, those electors including casual workers working outside the Constituency concerned would be entitled to the benefit of a paid holiday extended under the Section 135B (1) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, although his/her office does not happen to be closed on that particular day. The daily wage/casual workers are also entitled for a holiday and wages on poll day as provided in Section 135B of the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

6. It is clarified that as per the provisions of Section 135-B (iv) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951, this section shall not apply to any elector whose absence may cause danger or substantial loss in respect of the employment in which he is engaged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

DR.SAMEER SHARMA
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The Collector & District Magistrate, SPSR Nellore district.
The Labour, Employment Training and Factories Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District.
The Higher Education Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District.
The School Education Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District.
The Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District.
The Municipal Administration & Urban Development Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District.

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The Returning Officer, 115 - Atmakur AC & Joint Collector, SPSR Nellore District
The District Treasury Officer, SPSR Nellore district.
The Commissioner, Information & Public Relations, Andhra Pradesh, Pandit Nehru Bus Station, Vijayawada.
The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada
The Registrar, High Court of Judicature, A.P., Nelapadu.
The Secretary (SKP), Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashoka Road, New Delhi.
The Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi.
The Reserve Bank of India, Hyderabad.
The General Administration (PE/Pol. A) Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District
The PS to Chief Secretary, Andhra Pradesh State.
The PS to Principal Secretary to Government (Poll.), GAD, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi, Guntur District.
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